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Western Pacific Fishery Management Council; Public Meetings

AGENCY: National Marine Fisheries Service (NMFS), National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA), Commerce.

ACTION: Notice of public meetings and hearings.

SUMMARY: The Western Pacific Fishery Management Council (Council) will hold a meeting of its Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands (CNMI) Mariana Archipelago Advisory Panel (AP) and its Guam Mariana Archipelago AP to discuss and make recommendations on issues in Guam, CNMI and the Western Pacific region.

DATES: The CNMI AP meeting will be held on Wednesday, May 18, 2016, between 6:30 p.m. and 9 p.m. The Guam AP meeting will be held on Friday, May 20, 2016, between 6 p.m. and 9 p.m. All times listed are local times. For agendas, see **SUPPLEMENTARY**

INFORMATION.

ADDRESSES: The CNMI AP meeting will be held at the CNMI Division of Fish & Wildlife Conference Room, Lower Base, Saipan, MP, 96950 and the Guam AP meeting will be held at the Hilton Guam Resort & Spa, 202 Hilton Road, Tumon Bay, GU, 96913.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Kitty M. Simonds, Executive Director, phone: (808) 522-8220.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Public comment periods will be provided throughout the agendas. The order in which agenda items are addressed may change. The meetings will run as late as necessary to complete scheduled business.

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 - B. Coral Reef
 - C. Crustaceans
 - D. Precious Corals
 - E. Pelagics
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 - B. Protected Species
 - C. Human Dimensions
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 - E. Marine Planning
 - F. Data Integration
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Special Accommodations

These meetings are physically accessible to people with disabilities. Requests for sign language interpretation or other auxiliary aids should be directed to Kitty M. Simonds, (808) 522-8220 (voice) or (808) 522-8226 (fax), at least 5 days prior to the meeting date.

Authority: 16 U.S.C. 1801 *et seq.*

Dated: April 26, 2016.

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